**Architecture of Cloud Computing**

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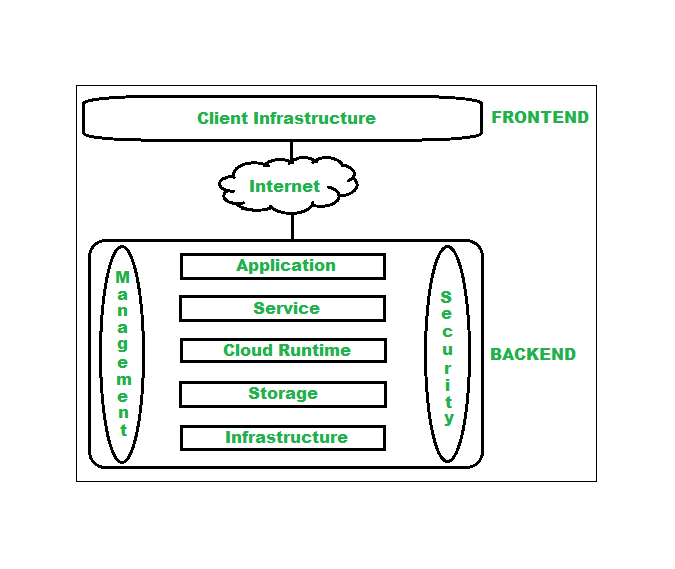
[Cloud Computing](https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/cloud-computing/) , which is one of the demanding technology of the current time and which is giving a new shape to every organization by providing on demand virtualized services/resources. Starting from small to medium and medium to large, every organization use cloud computing services for storing information and accessing it from anywhere and any time only with the help of internet. In this article, we will know more about the internal architecture of cloud computing.

Transparency, scalability, security and intelligent monitoring are some of the most important constraints which every cloud infrastructure should experience. Current research on other important constraints is helping cloud computing system to come up with new features and strategies with a great capability of providing more advanced cloud solutions.

**Cloud Computing Architecture :**  
The cloud architecture is divided into 2 parts i.e.

1. Frontend
2. Backend

The below figure represents an internal architectural view of cloud computing.



*Architecture of Cloud Computing*

Architecture of cloud computing is the combination of both [SOA (Service Oriented Architecture)](https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/service-oriented-architecture/) and EDA (Event Driven Architecture). Client infrastructure, application, service, runtime cloud, storage, infrastructure, management and security all these are the components of cloud computing architecture.

**1. Frontend :**  
Frontend of the cloud architecture refers to the client side of cloud computing system. Means it contains all the user interfaces and applications which are used by the client to access the cloud computing services/resources. For example, use of a web browser to access the cloud platform.

* **Client Infrastructure –** Client Infrastructure is a part of the frontend component. It contains the applications and user interfaces which are required to access the cloud platform.
* In other words, it provides a GUI( Graphical User Interface ) to interact with the cloud.

**2. Backend :**  
Backend refers to the cloud itself which is used by the service provider. It contains the resources as well as manages the resources and provides security mechanisms. Along with this, it includes huge storage, virtual applications, virtual machines, traffic control mechanisms, deployment models, etc.

1. **Application –**  
   Application in backend refers to a software or platform to which client accesses. Means it provides the service in backend as per the client requirement.
2. **Service –**  
   Service in backend refers to the major three types of cloud based services like [SaaS, PaaS and IaaS](https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/cloud-based-services/). Also manages which type of service the user accesses.
3. **Runtime Cloud-**  
   Runtime cloud in backend provides the execution and Runtime platform/environment to the Virtual machine.
4. **Storage –**  
   Storage in backend provides flexible and scalable storage service and management of stored data.
5. **Infrastructure –**  
   Cloud Infrastructure in backend refers to the hardware and software components of cloud like it includes servers, storage, network devices, virtualization software etc.
6. **Management –**  
   Management in backend refers to management of backend components like application, service, runtime cloud, storage, infrastructure, and other security mechanisms etc.
7. **Security –**  
   Security in backend refers to implementation of different security mechanisms in the backend for secure cloud resources, systems, files, and infrastructure to end-users.
8. **Internet –**  
   Internet connection acts as the medium or a bridge between frontend and backend and establishes the interaction and communication between frontend and backend.
9. **Database**– Database in backend refers to provide database for storing structured data, such as SQL and NOSQL databases. Example of Databases services include Amazon RDS, Microsoft Azure SQL database and Google CLoud SQL.
10. **Networking**– Networking in backend services that provide networking infrastructure for application in the cloud, such as load balancing, DNS and virtual private networks.
11. **Analytics**– Analytics in backend service that provides analytics capabillities for data in the cloud, such as warehousing, bussness intellegence and machine learning.

**Benefits of Cloud Computing Architecture :**

* Makes overall cloud computing system simpler.
* Improves data processing requirements.
* Helps in providing high security.
* Makes it more modularized.
* Results in better disaster recovery.
* Gives good user accessibility.
* Reduces IT operating costs.
* Provides high level reliability.
* Scalability.

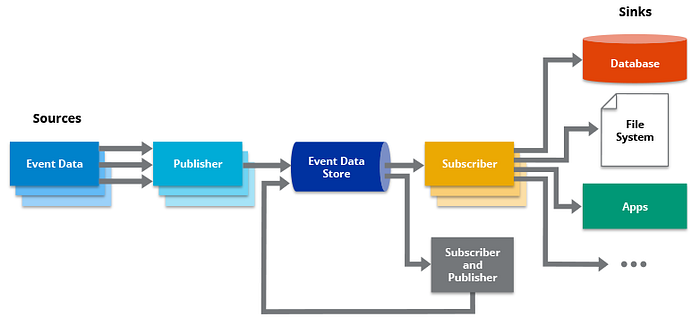
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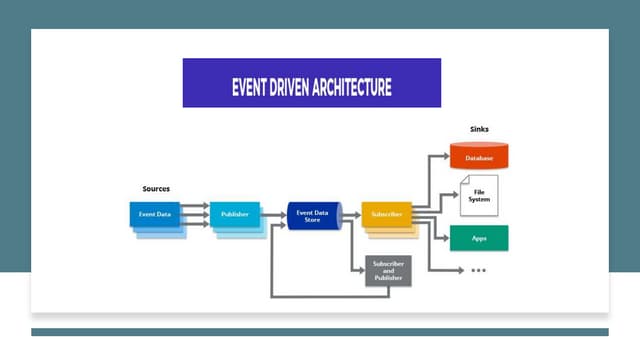
**SOA**

What is service-oriented architecture in cloud?

SOA defines how different components of a system work together. A system built with SOA in mind has a defining language or protocol that unites every part of the system: these can be HTTP, JSON, or other web languages. Each service in the system can communicate with other services in the common language, and the individual services can be monitored or work together through the shared language. This helps unify the siloed languages without compromising their performance.



EOA



An event-driven architecture uses events to trigger and communicate between decoupled services and is common in modern applications built with microservices. An event is a change in state, or an update, like an item being placed in a shopping cart on an e-commerce website.